



Indiana Department of Environmental Management
Office of Water Quality
Wetlands Section

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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2010-355-64-EMP-A

Corps of Engineers ID Number:
LRC-2010-511-IN

To all interested parties:

This letter shall serve as a formal notice of the receipt of an application for **Section 401 Water Quality Certification** by the Indiana Department of Environmental Management (IDEM). The purpose of the notice is to inform the public of active applications submitted for water quality certification under Section 401 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. § 1341) and to solicit comments and information on any impacts to water quality related to the proposed project. IDEM will evaluate whether the project complies with Indiana's water quality standards as set forth at 327 IAC 2.

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| 1. Applicant: | Mr. Daniel Plath
NiSource Corporation
801 E. 86 th St.
Merrillville, IN 46410 | 2. Agent: | |
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- 3. Project location:** Section 21, Township 37 North, Range 6 West, Dune Acres USGS Quadrangle Map
Project is located within Lake Michigan at approximate location 41° 38' 55.20" North and 87° 07' 21.87" West, near Chesterton, Porter County
- 4. Affected waterbody:** Lake Michigan
- 5. Project Description:** The Indiana Department of Environmental Management has granted an emergency Section 401 Water Quality (WQC) Certification to NiSource Corporation to repair two holes in the west water intake pipe to the NIPSCO Bailly Generating Station. The emergency 401 WQC approved the hand placement, by divers, of 150 60-pound bags of hydraulic cement grout bags over two failed corrugated metal patches on the existing west water intake pipe for the Bailly Generating Facility. After the bags are in place (placed on existing patch studs), they will be cut by hand with knives. The hydraulic cement, designed for underwater use, will harden and then seal the two holes and failing metal patches in the intake pipe. No mitigation is required.
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Comment period: Any person or entity who wishes to submit comments or information relevant to the aforementioned project may do so by the closing date noted above. Only comments or information related to water quality or potential impacts of the project on water quality can be considered by IDEM in the water quality certification review process.

Public Hearing: Any person may submit a written request that a public hearing be held to consider issues related to water quality in connection with the project detailed in this notice. The request for a hearing should be submitted within the comment period to be considered timely. The request should also state the reason for the public hearing as specifically as possible to assist IDEM in determining whether a public hearing is warranted.

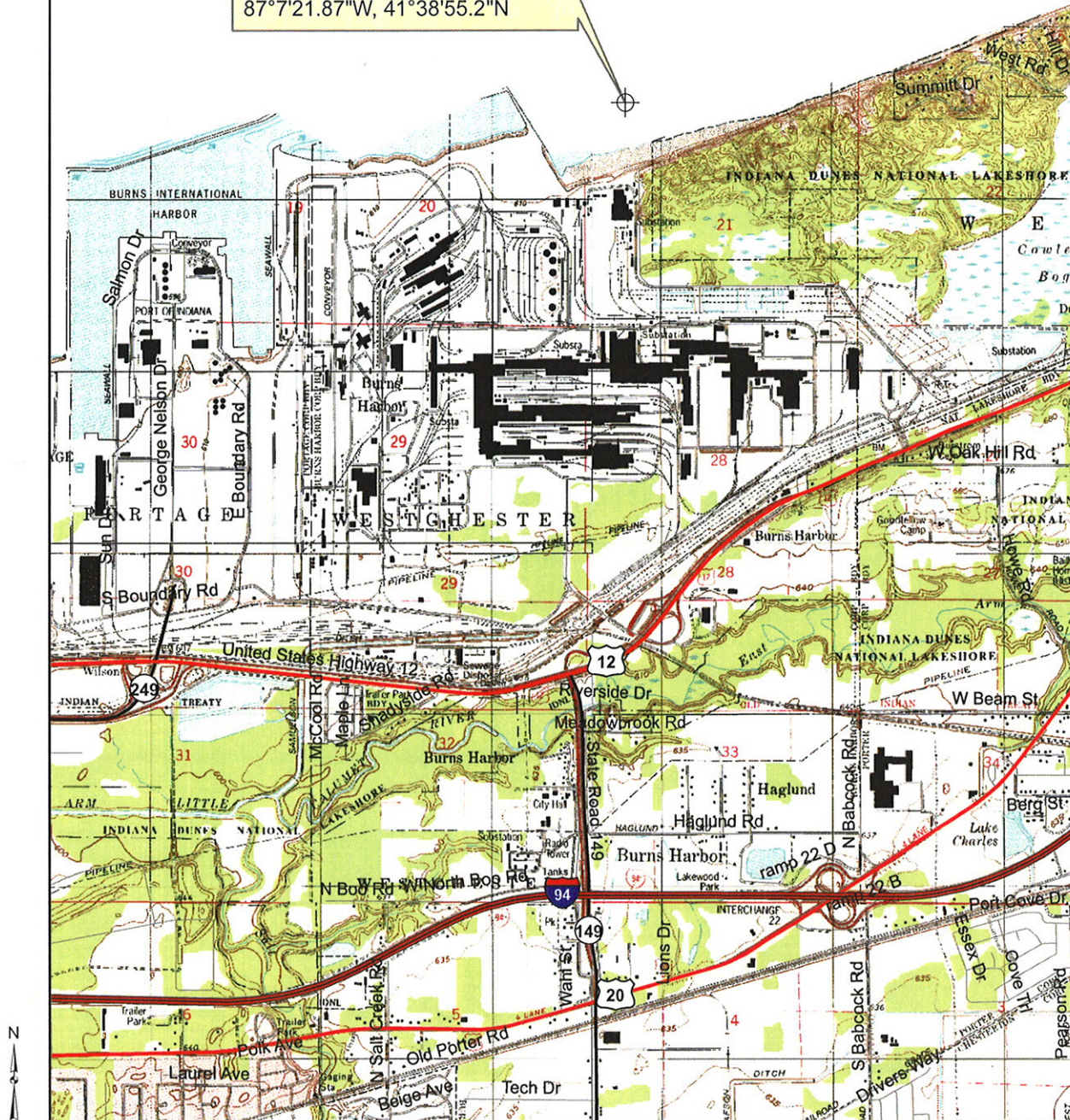
Questions? Additional information may be obtained from Ms. Liz Pelloso, Project Manager, at 317-233-2482. Please address all correspondence to the project manager and reference the IDEM project identification number listed on this notice. Indicate if you wish to receive a copy of IDEM's final decision. Written comments and inquiries may be forwarded to -

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NIPSCO Bailly Generating Station
West Intake Pipe Repair
IDEM ID: 2010-355-64-EMP-A

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West Intake Pipe Repair Location
NIPSCO Bailly Generating Facility
87°7'21.87"W, 41°38'55.2"N



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